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## SUBMISSION OF PROPOSED DRAWING AMENDMENT FOR APPROVAL BY EXAMINER (37 CFR 1.121(a)(3)(ii))

Sir:

Attached please find a copy of the original of Fig.s 2, 5b, 13a, 13b, and 21 with red ink markings, showing the proposed changes to the drawing in this application. Applicant requests the Examiner to approve the proposed changes.

The proposed change to Fig. 21 corrects a mislabeled signal line 2115.

The proposed change to Fig. 5b moves the signal lines on Fig. 5b to new Fig. 5c to respond to the draftsperson's objection as to view and enlarged view. The proposed change to Fig. 2 is also responsive to this objection.

On reviewing the drawings, we determined that Fig. 13a, and 13b had similar view problems and added brackets accordingly.

No new matter was added by these proposed changes.

We are ready to file the formal drawings and await your approval prior to doing so.

If I can be of any additional assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at  $(650) 947-0700 \times 309$ .

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 7-76-00

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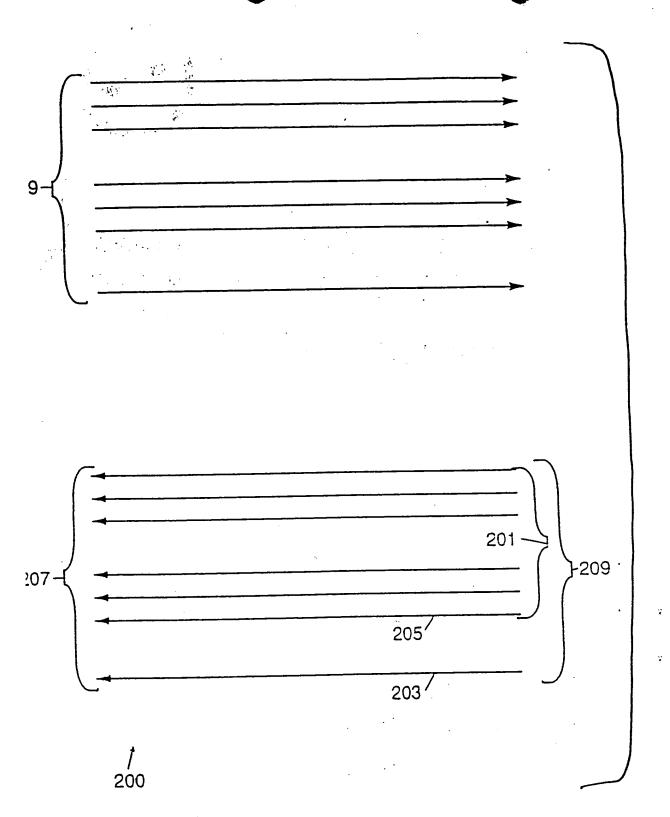
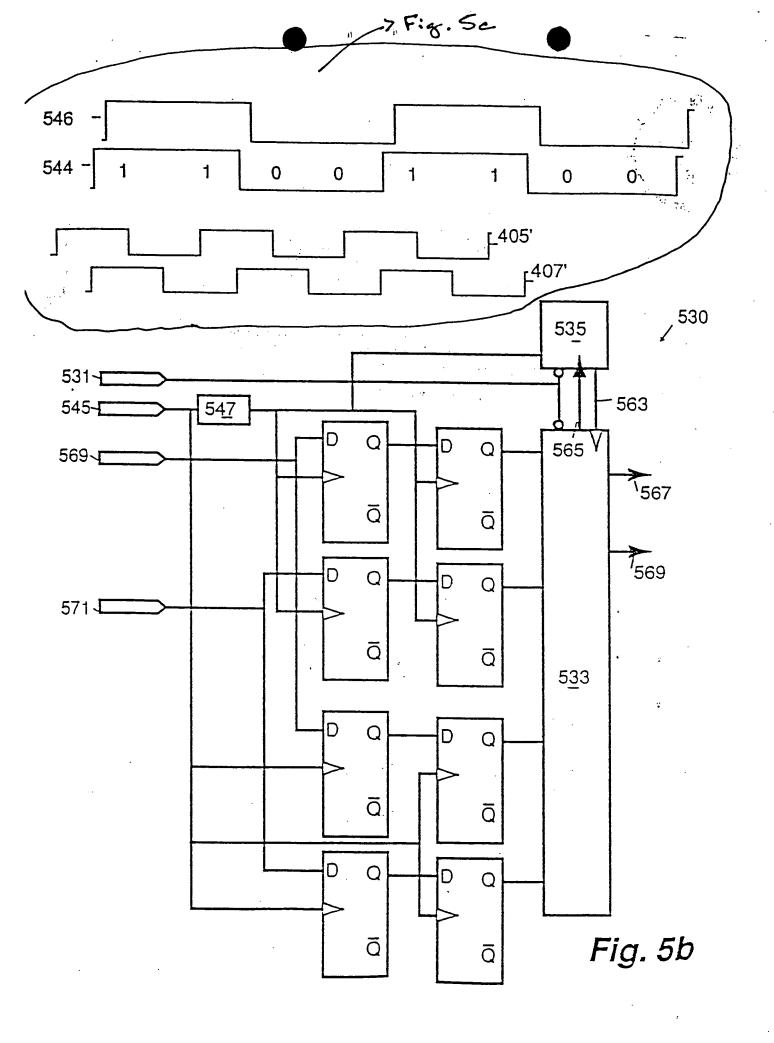
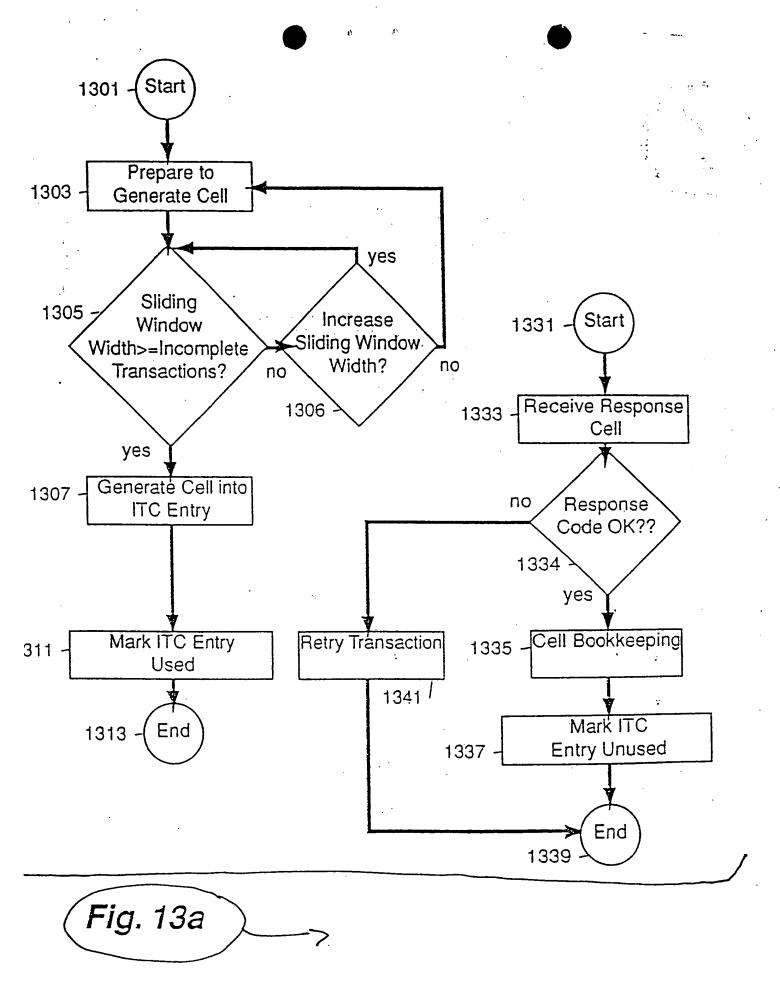
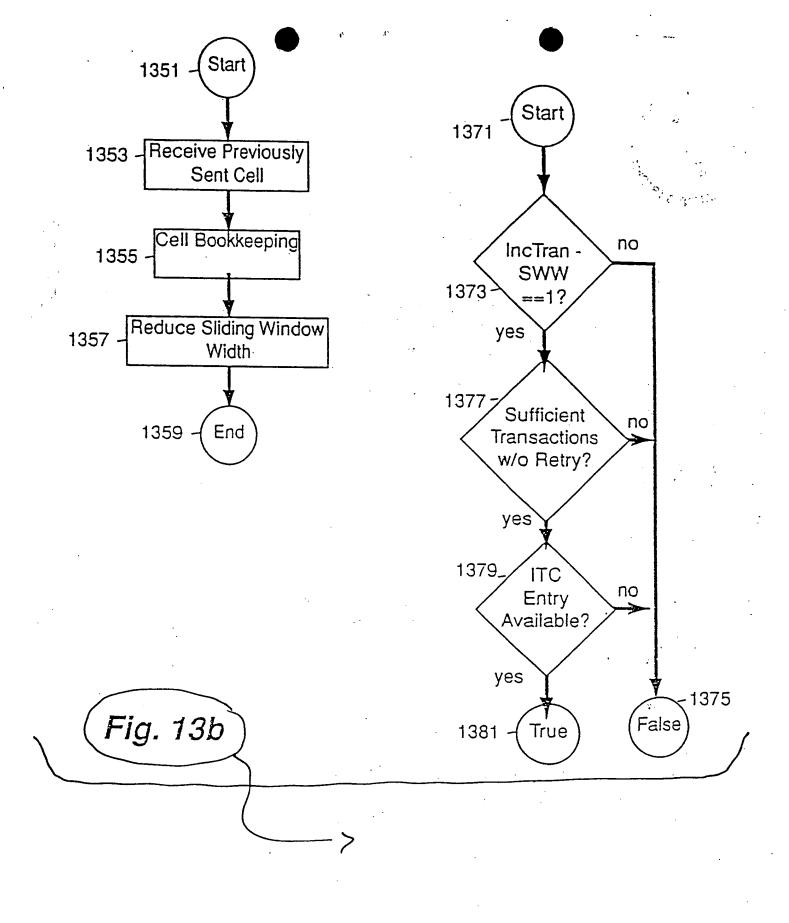


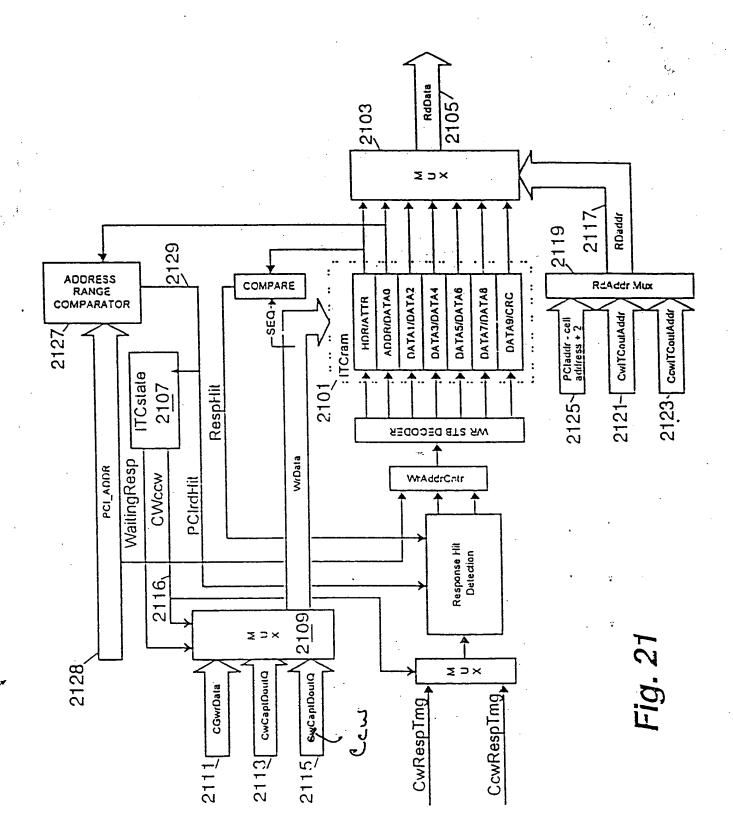
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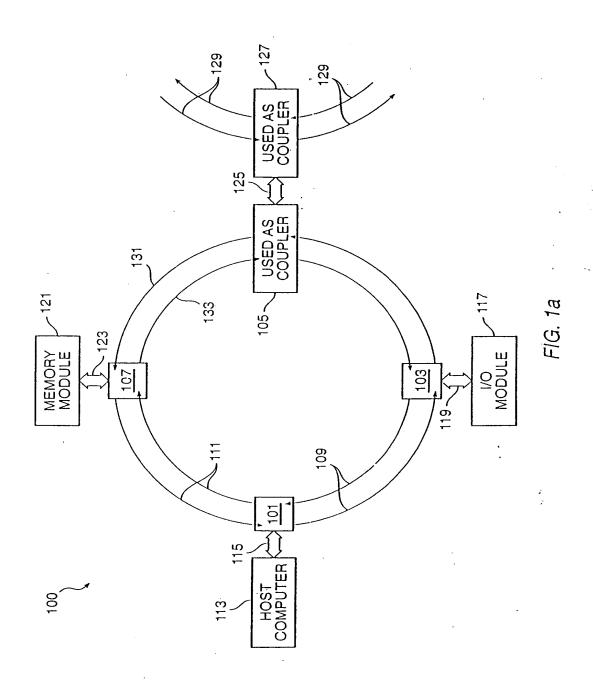






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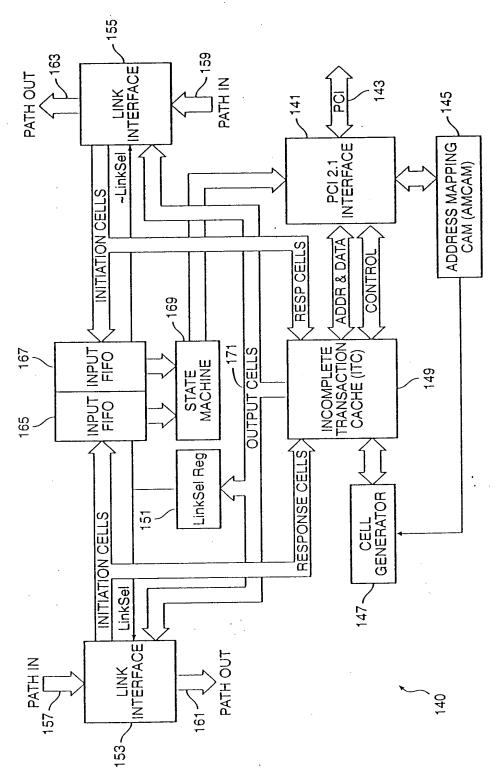


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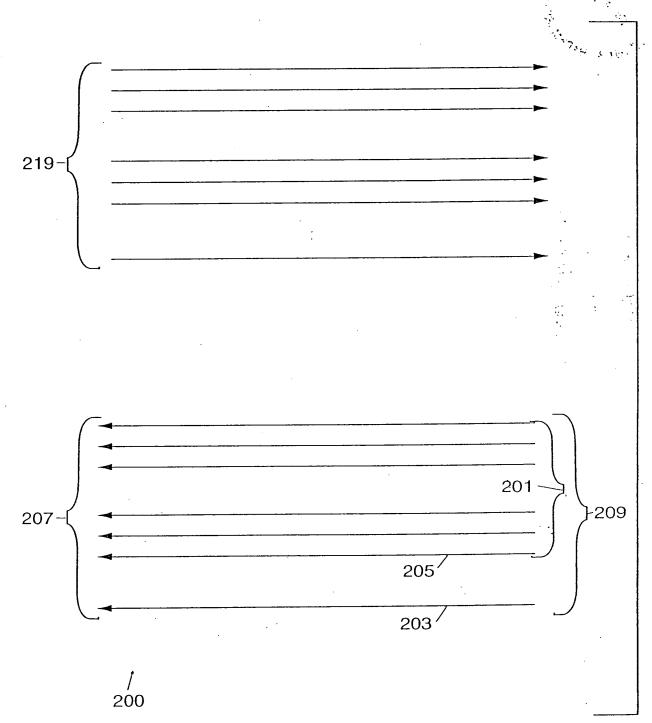


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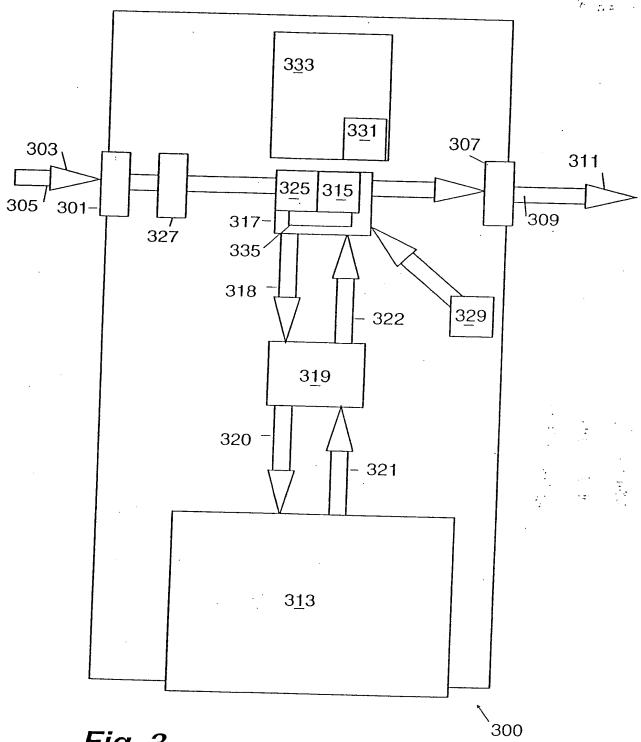
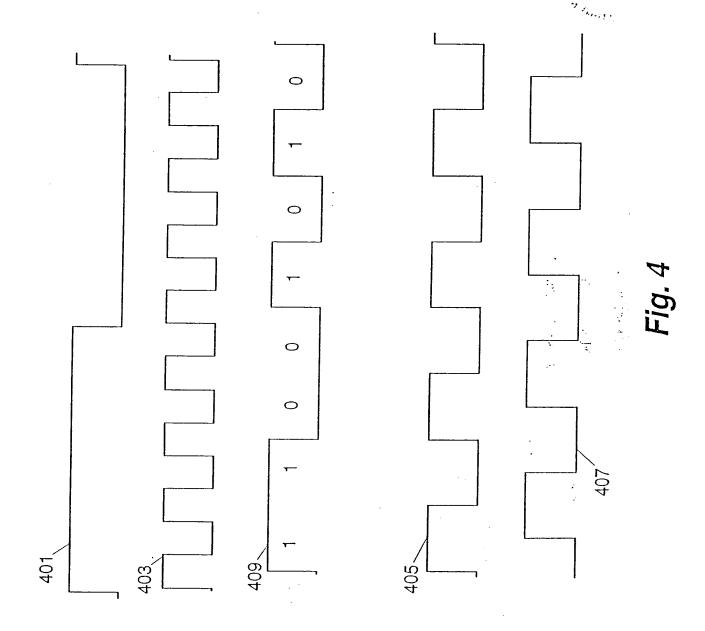
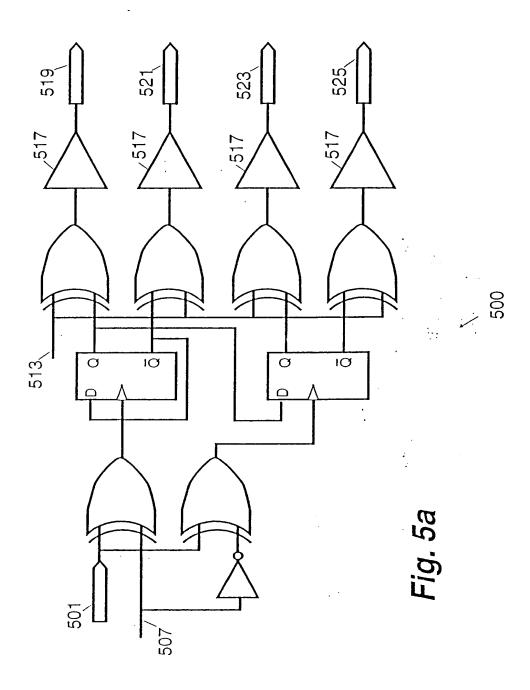


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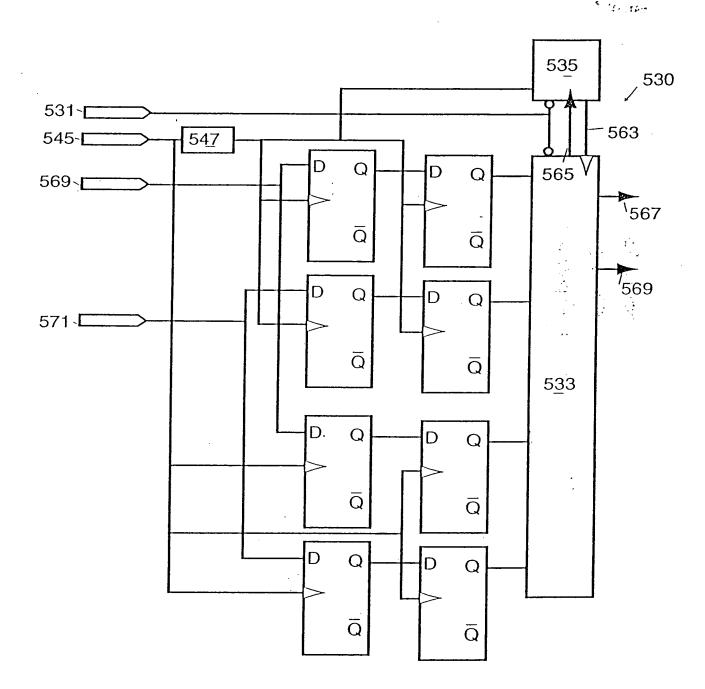


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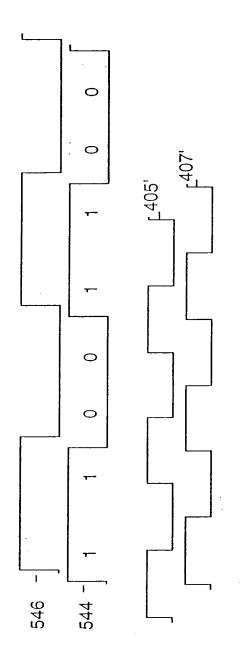


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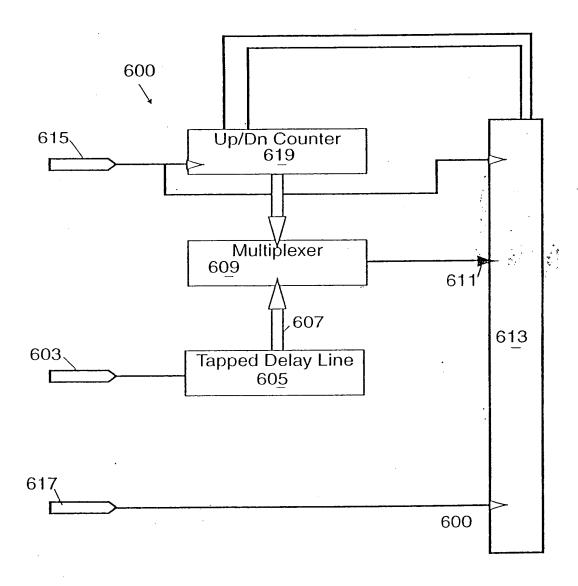


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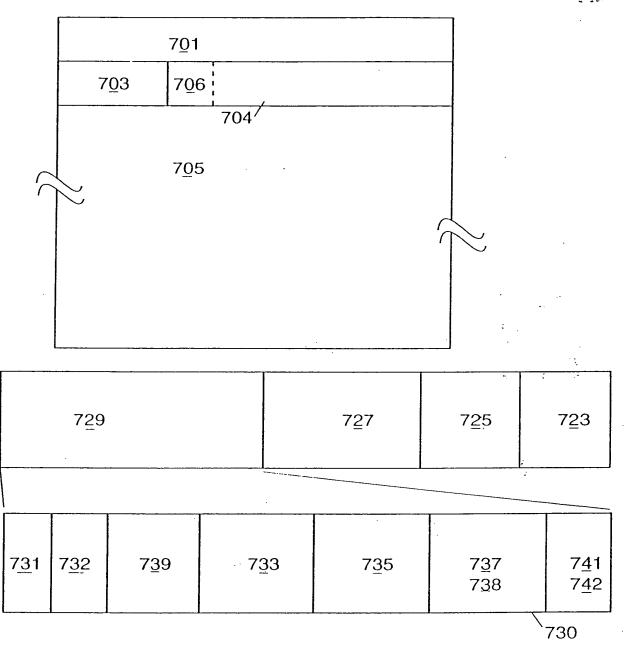
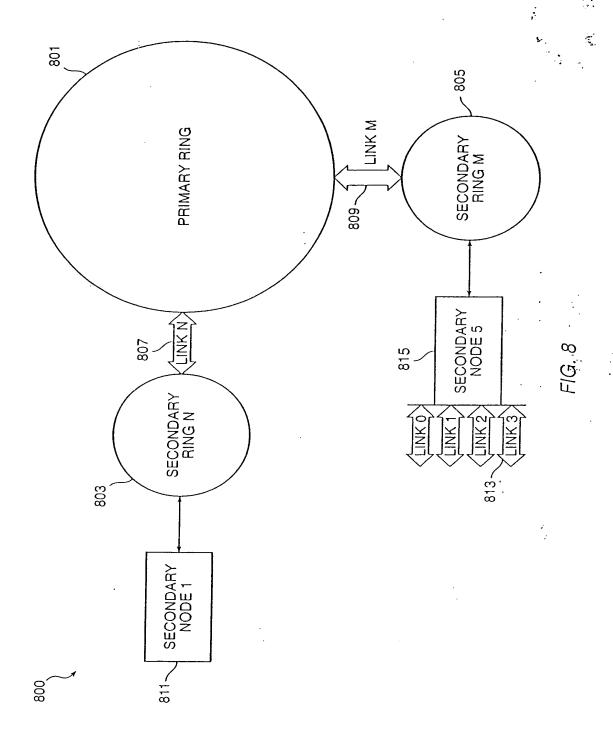
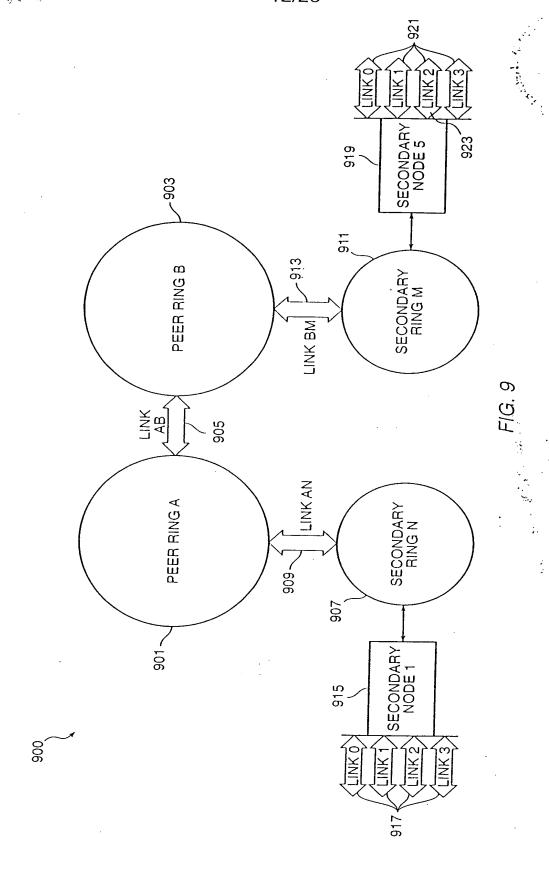
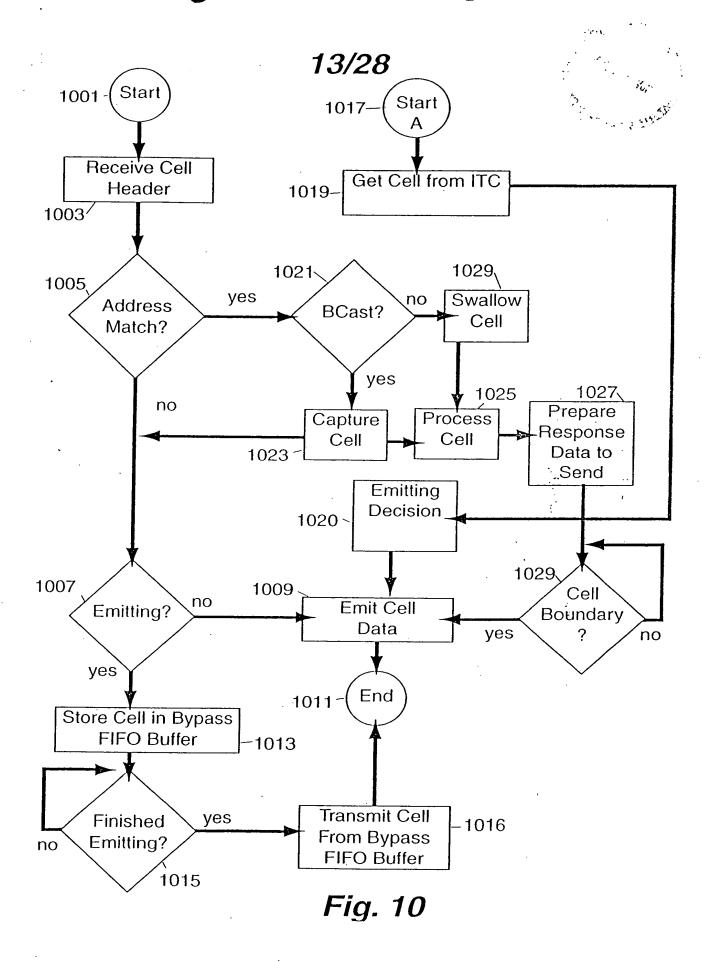
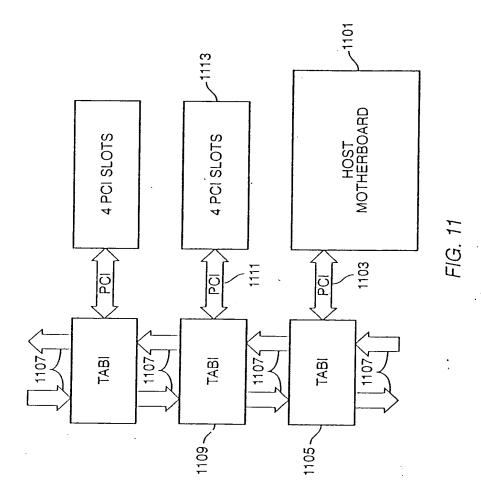


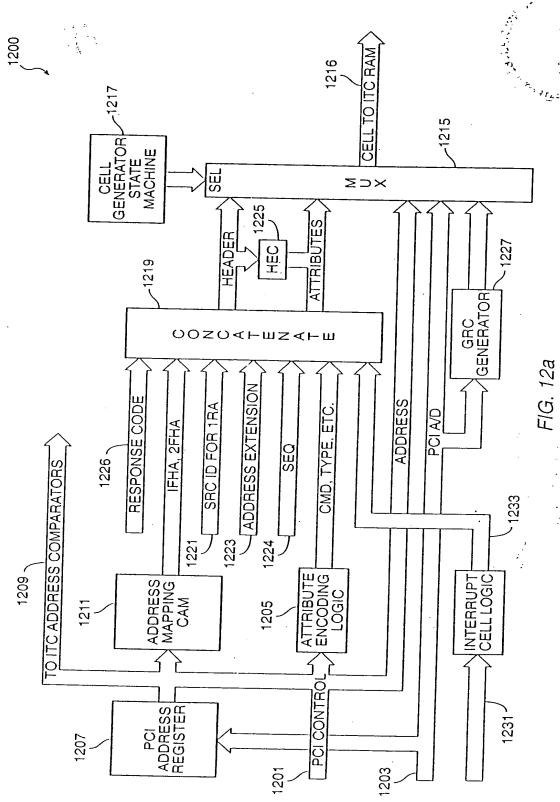
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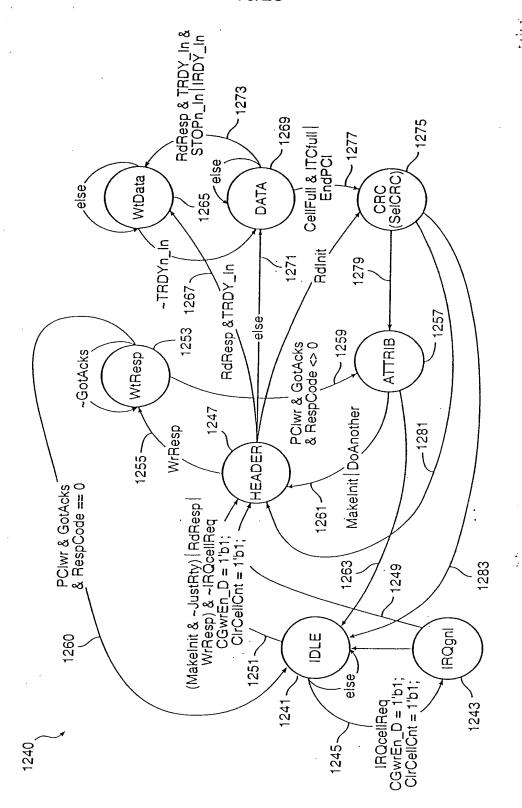


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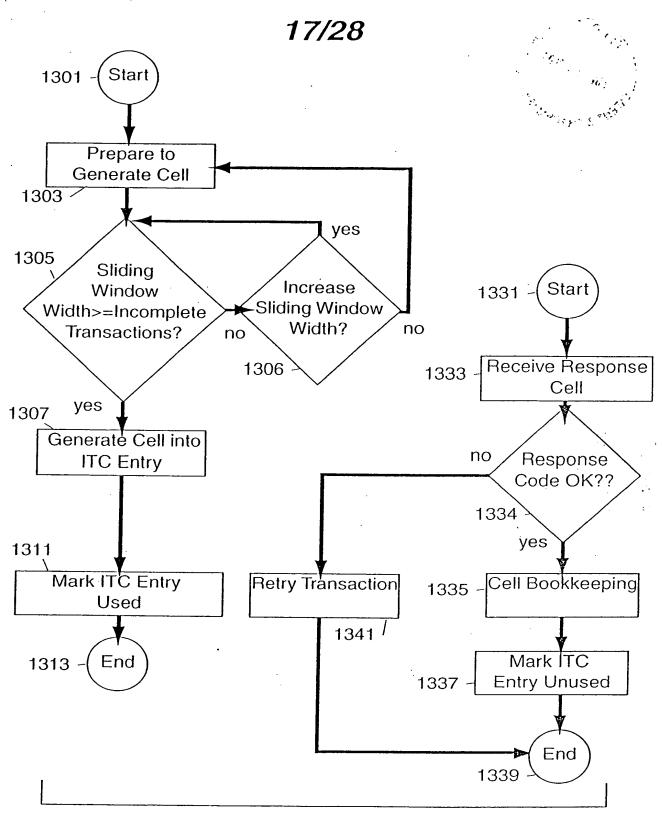


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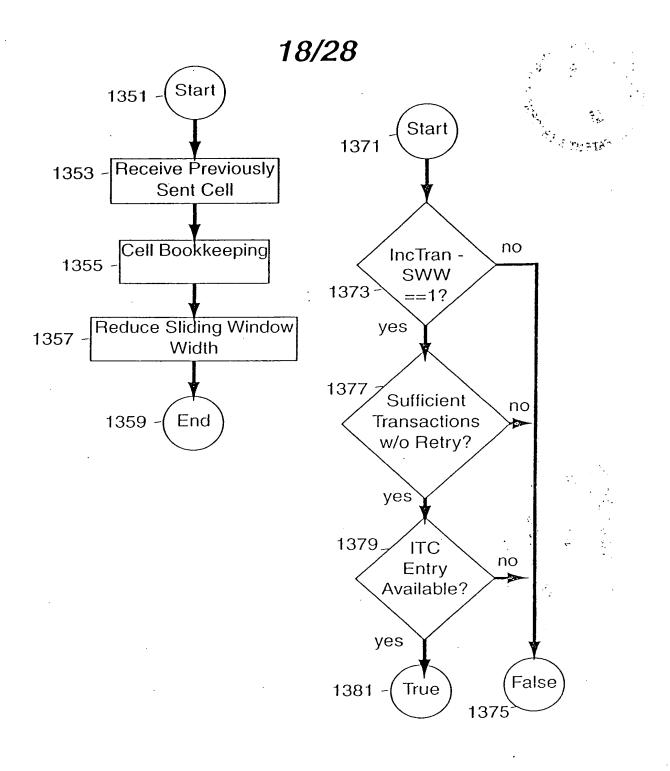
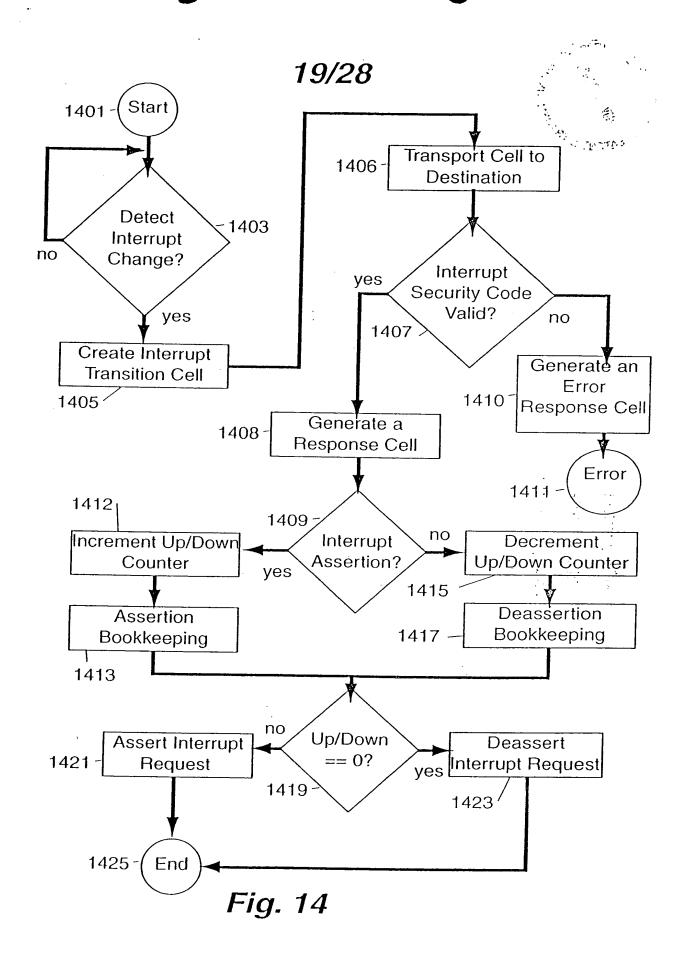


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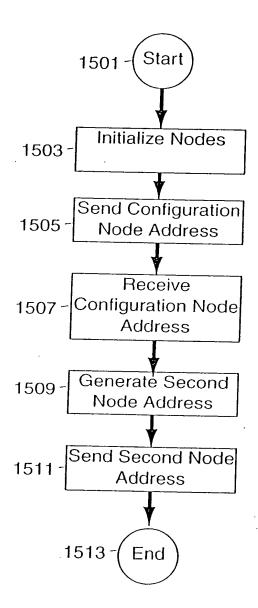
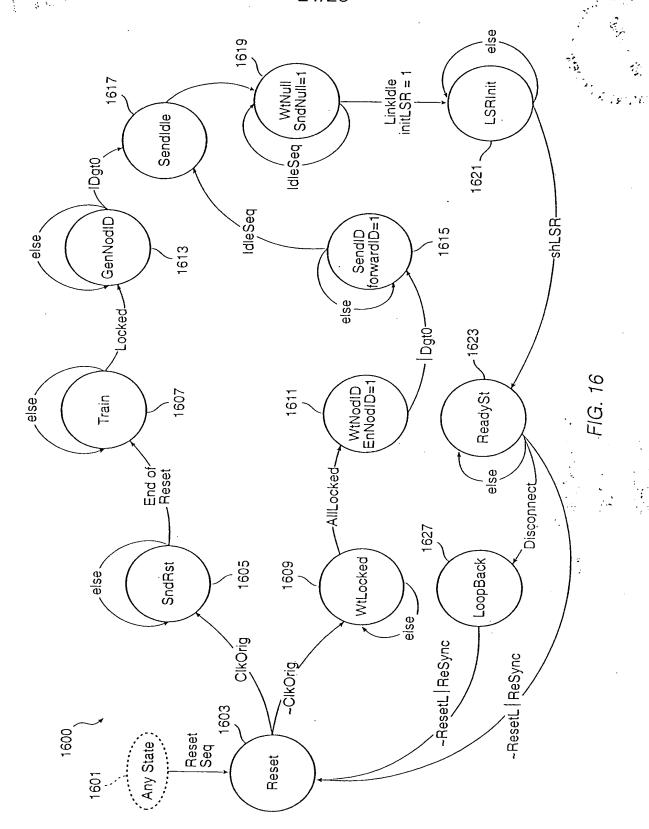


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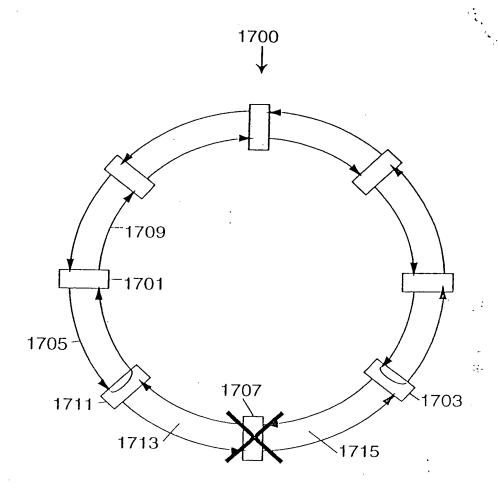
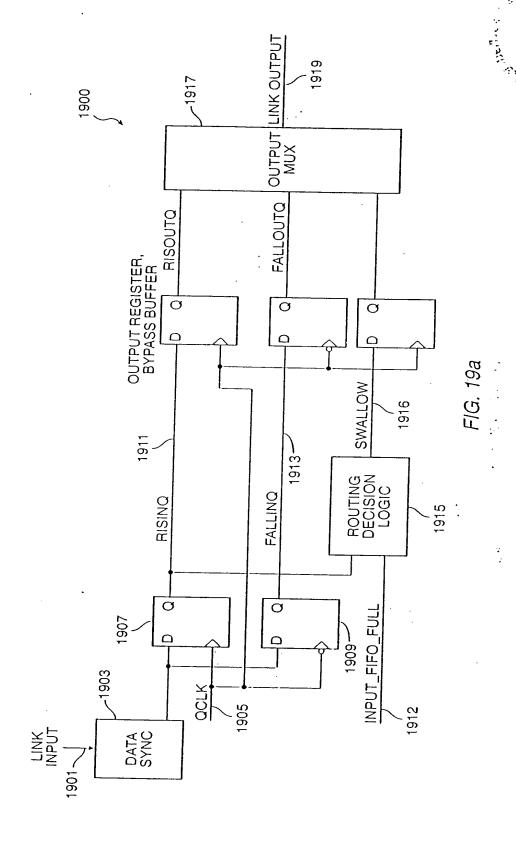


Fig. 17

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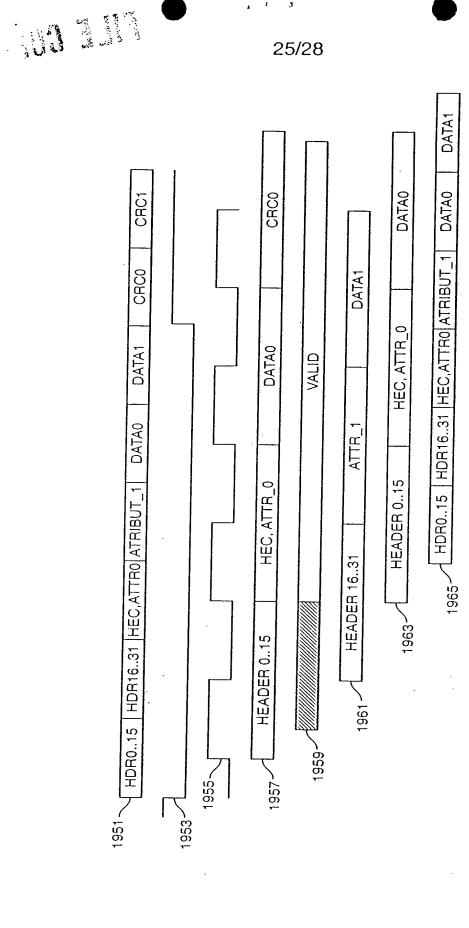
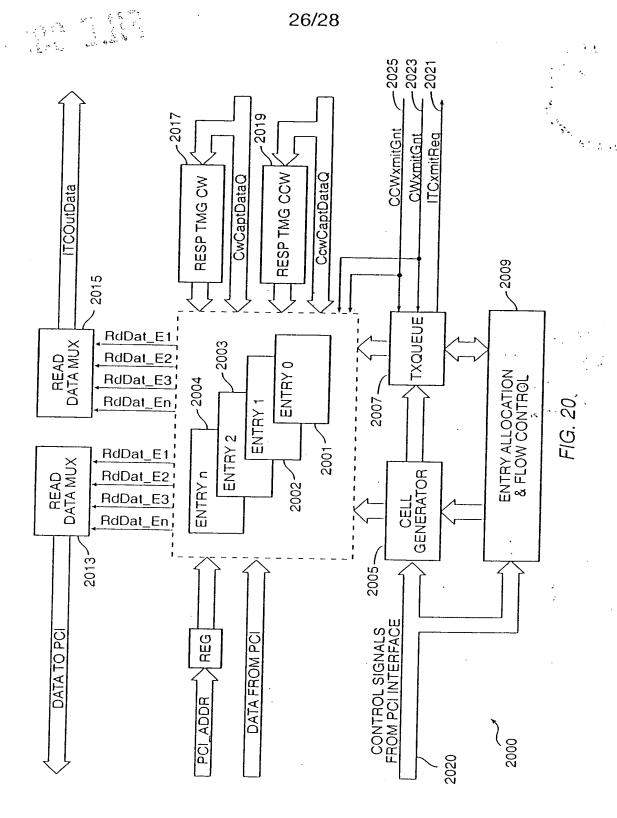


FIG. 19b



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